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Application of: Thomas Albertson et al.

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 2, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2, comments regarding the figures begin on page 11, and the Remarks begin on page 12. An Appendix including drawing replacement sheets is attached following page 13.